A. - Sri ANNARAO GANAMUKHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Necessary provision is made for promotion of such graduate teachers to the higher grade as Graduate Assistants in High Schools in the draft Cadre and Recruitment Rules.

Sri T. D. MARANNA.—It is said in (*c*) that necessary provision is made for the promotion of such graduate teachers in High Schools in the draft cadre and recruitment rules. May I know the number of teachers who have been benefited under this provision ?

†Sri ANNARAO GANAMUKHI.—It is still in the draft stage. It is not yet finalised.

CONSTRUCTION OF MINOR AND MAJOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS IN SOME PARTS OF MAGADI TALUK.

*Q.—162. Sri T. D. MARANNA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be plased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Government are not allowing any irrigation projects, Minor or Major, to be taken up in some parts of Magadi taluk within the Arkavathi Valley ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that repeated representations were made to Government to show some latitude in this respect in the interets of the poor ryots of the taluk ;

(*c*) whether they will at least now permit construction of Minor Irrigation Projects, so as to irrigate at least 1,000 acres of land in this area ?

A.—Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR (Deputy Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes, up to the Hallimala site near Ramanagaram.

(*b*) Yes, some representations have been made.

(*c*) This will be examined.

Sri T. D. MARANNA.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that Magadi Taluk is a backward area and it needs some minor irrigation projects to improve the condition of the people there?

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—Yes Sir, it is an arid taluk.

Sri T. D. MARANNA.—It has been said that up to Hallimala site, no major irrigation project will be permitted. Am I to take it that it is the sin of the people of Magadi to have provided the Thippagondanahalli Reservoir to supply drinking water to the civilised people of Bangalore?

†Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—Who said, it is a sin !